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TRANSFER OF CENTRALLY SPONSORED SCHEMES TO STATES
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) the status of implementation and achievements of Centrally Sponsored Schemes being contemplated for transfer to States;

(b) whether the Government proposes to formulate a set of procedures and criteria for providing financial assistance to the States for implementing such transferred schemes and programmes;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the mechanism to ensure achievement of targets within the stipulated time-frame?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN)

(a) to (d) : Schemes are discontinued on the basis of Zero Based Budgeting (ZBB) exercise. The primary purpose of ZBB exercise is to ensure convergence, efficiency and efficacy of schemes according to Plan objectives and priorities and also the use of available resources in the most judicious and economically efficient manner. Such an exercise is done regularly. There is no proposal for transfer of Centrally Sponsored Schemes to States.